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## **Wharton School's Pension Research Council Continues Partnership with BlackRock as Director Level Member**

The [Pension Research Council](#) at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania is pleased to announce that [BlackRock](#) has rejoined the Council as a Director Level Member for 2024.

**Peter Fisher**, Managing Director, Corporate Strategy and Head of BlackRock's Global Retirement Initiative said, "We are pleased to actively support the efforts of the Pension Research Council at the Wharton School for the third year. The council plays a pivotal role in deepening our understanding of the challenges surrounding retirement and ways our industry can address them."

**Anne Ackerley**, Managing Director and Head of BlackRock's Retirement Group said, "The need for research and evolving solutions to help people retire with dignity on their own terms is not going away. We're excited to continue advancing the industry with the Wharton Pension Research Council."

[Dr. Olivia S. Mitchell](#), Professor of Insurance/Risk Management and Applied Economics/Policy, and Executive Director of the Wharton's Pension Research Council at the University of Pennsylvania, said: "The Council is delighted to continue our research relationship with BlackRock. We look forward to ever-greater collaboration on matters of retirement security and financial literacy."

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**The Pension Research Council** is committed to generating debate on key policy issues affecting pensions and other employee benefits. The Council sponsors interdisciplinary research on private pension and social security programs, as well as related benefit plans in the United States and around the world. It supports scholarly research on global aging, successful retirement, and retirement income security while facilitating access to research and data critical to the investigation of retirement security. Working papers are posted on the [Pension Research Council website](#) and available for download.

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